# **SYNOPSIS**



Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions 2019 Maryland General Assembly Session

> January 17, 2019 Schedule 6

**PLEASE NOTE:** January 22 – Bill request deadline.

February 1 – Bill introduction deadline.

All bills should be given to the Secretary of the Senate's office by

5:00 P.M. on Monday, February 4.

As required by Senate Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will

be referred to the Senate Rules Committee.

## **SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED January 17, 2019**

## SB 118 Senator Ready, et al

HANDGUN PERMITS – CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECKS – FINGERPRINT SUBMISSION EXCEPTION

Establishing that the Secretary of State Police is not required to submit certain fingerprints with a certain application for a criminal history records check if the applicant's fingerprints are already on file with the Department of State Police. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

PS, § 5-305 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

#### **SB 119** Senator Griffith (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

EMPLOYEES' PENSION SYSTEM – PURCHASE OF ELIGIBILITY SERVICE CREDIT – CLARIFICATION

Clarifying a provision authorizing a certain purchase of eligibility service credit in the Employees' Pension System for certain employment.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

SP, § 23-307(b) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

#### **SB 120** Senator Griffith (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)

STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – DESIGNATION OF BENEFICIARY

Altering a requirement for designating a beneficiary of a member, former member, or retiree of the State Retirement and Pension System; providing an option for a member, former member, or retiree to designate a beneficiary through the State Retirement Agency's secure access participant portal with an electronic signature; altering the definition of "designated beneficiary"; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

SP, §§ 20-101(n), 24-401.1(i)(2), and 26-401.1(i)(2) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

#### SB 121 Senator Kelley, et al

#### INMATES - LIFE IMPRISONMENT - PAROLE REFORM

Establishing that inmates serving a term of life imprisonment may be paroled without the Governor's approval after serving 30 years under certain circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

CS, §§ 4-305(b) and 7-301(d) - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

#### SB 122 Senator Guzzone

PROPERTY TAX CREDITS – REAL PROPERTY USED FOR ROBOTICS PROGRAMS

Authorizing the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant, by law, a certain property tax credit against the county or municipal corporation property tax imposed on real property used for the purposes of a public school robotics program or nonprofit robotics program in the State; authorizing the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to provide, by law, for certain matters relating to the tax credit; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2019.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2019

TP, § 9-263 - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

### SB 123 Senator Pinsky

ELECTION LAW – COORDINATED EXPENDITURES AND DONATIONS – INVESTIGATION

Authorizing the State Administrator of Elections or the State Administrator's designee, rather than the State Board of Elections, to investigate a potential violation of certain provisions of law prohibiting certain coordinated expenditures and donations; authorizing the State Administrator or the State Administrator's designee, in furtherance of a certain investigation, to issue a subpoena for the attendance of a witness to testify or the production of records; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2019

EL, § 13-249 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs